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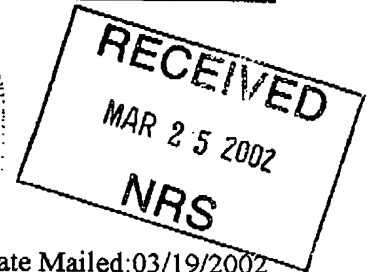
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### Request for Substitute Papers

The papers filed on 02/27/02 (certificate of mailing dated 02/19/02) are no longer in condition to become part of the permanent records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) for this application (37 CFR 1.52(a)) due to the United States Postal Service sanitization process.

The USPTO requests that applicant provide a copy of the above-identified papers (except for any U.S. or foreign patent documents submitted with the above-identified papers) with a statement that such copy is a complete and accurate copy of the above-identified papers (signing and returning a copy of this notice will provide such a statement). The reply to this letter should be submitted to the USPTO by facsimile at the number indicated **703-746-4060(OIPE)**.

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The enclosed papers are a complete and accurate copy of the above-identified papers.

Name: Lawrence M. Nawrocki Registration No.: 29,333,426

Signature: Lawrence M. Nawrocki Date: March 26, 2002

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This will hereby acknowledge receipt of the following documents by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

Response, Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney, Five (5) Sheets of Drawings, Petition for Extension of Time, Checks for \$65.00 and \$55.00, Transmittal and Postcard  
with respect to the following:

Applicant : George E. Anderson et al.  
Serial No : 09/978,426  
Filed : October 15, 2001  
For : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR REMOVING SOLVENT FROM PARTICULATE

File No. 14023/120/101  
Date: February 19, 2002  
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In re Application of:

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Examiner: N/A

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Group Art Unit: 1746

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Docket No.: 14023/120/101

**TRANSMITTAL SHEET**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

<p><b>CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8:</b> I hereby certify that this correspondence and the documents described herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this <u>19th</u> day of <u>February</u>, 2002.</p> <p>by <u>James E. Namitz</u> James E. Namitz</p>
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CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
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TOTAL CLAIMS	-	=		x9=	\$	x18=	\$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	-	=		x40=	\$	x80=	\$
( ) FIRST MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				+135=	\$	+260=	\$
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[XXXX] Checks in the amounts of \$ 55.00 and \$ 65.00 are enclosed.

[XXXX] Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR § 1.27.

[XXXX] Other: Response, Notice to File Missing Parts of  
Nonprovisional Application, Combined Declaration/Power of  
Attorney for Patent Application, Five (5) Sheets of  
Drawings, Petition for Extension of Time and Postcard.

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an enveloped addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2002.

By: Laurie E. Nemtz  
Laurie E. Nemtz

Sir:

Applicants filed the application covered by the caption indicated above on October 15, 2001. The signatures of the inventors were, however, missing on the DECLARATION. In response to the filing, the United States Patent and Trademark Office issued a NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED document (FORM PTO-1533). That paper documented the fact that the



filing date was granted for the application. Further, however, it documented a requirement that a properly signed Declaration in compliance with 37 CFR \$1.63, identifying the application by Application Number and Filing Date, be submitted. That paper also required that a surcharge in the amount of \$65, for a small entity, be submitted.

It was further noted that the application did not comply with the regulations because the drawing sheets did not have the appropriate margins. Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR \$ 1.84 were required. In response to the document issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Applicant hereby takes action to comply with the requirements imposed. Please find transmitted herewith substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR \$ 1.84 having the appropriate margins.

Please find enclosed the "RESPONSE" copy of the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED document, a Declaration signed by the named inventors, and a check in the amount of \$65.00 (the amount of the surcharge for a small entity), five (5) sheets of drawings, a Petition for Extension of Time and a check in the amount of \$55.00 for a one month extension.

In view of the action taken herein, Applicant would submit that the requirements imposed by the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED paper have been complied with. It is, therefore, requested that the application be passed for

issuance of the formal FILING RECEIPT document.

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Respectfully submitted,

George E. Anderson et al.

By their attorney

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